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Included with this amendment is an appendix containing a certified English translation of German patent application number 199 07 831.9, which was filed February 24, 1999.

Please amend the Application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 14, 15, 16 and 20 without prejudice.

Please amend the Claims as follows.

1-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently Amended) The molding composition according to Claim 44 17, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein said alkaline earth metal sulfate and/or said oxide in each case has an average particle size of up to 200 nm.

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Currently Amended) The molding composition according to Claim 44 17, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the quantity of the flame retardant is from 0.001 to 5.0 wt.% in relation to the total weight of the molding composition.

7-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ A process for the preparation of a molding composition according to Claim 44 17, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said flame retardant, ~~and~~ alkaline earth metal sulfate, ~~and/or~~ oxide, ~~and as well as an~~ optionally fluorinated hydrocarbon are mixed with the amorphous thermoplastic polymers ~~which are to be equipped to be flame-resistant.~~